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STATINTL

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Office of the General Counsel
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

Re: The Red Interpreter

Dear Bob:

I have talked to the author of "The Red Interpreter" and it is my understanding that after a conference with him, you two were of the opinion that the United States Government was not entitled to a royalty license in the light of the workshop rule accepted in this field. It is my understanding that unless a government employee is assigned the task of performing a certain function, the government cannot claim any rights for a product. In the circumstances, any royalty-free license previously granted by the author would not have any force in favor of the United States Government.

It is also my understanding that if the United States Government reproduced a book that it could not be sued for infringement thereof. If my understanding is correct, the Central Intelligence Agency could reproduce "The Red Interpreter" without penalty. STATINTL

Needless to say, since the author is [REDACTED] there is no intention of acting arbitrarily in this matter.

This letter is written in the spirit of complete cooperation. If you have any suggestions, please forward them to me.

Very truly yours,

Sam

S. C. Borzilleri